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February 8, 1981

Senator Alan Dixon
456 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Dixon:

I am writing you because I am deeply concerned about the massive violations of human rights in Argentina. I am concerned particularly about the case of Mauricio Alberto Poltarak. Mauricio Poltarak disappeared on his way to work (he was an electrician) on July 21, 1978. He was not involved in politics or in trade unions. Habeas corpus has been filed twice, the last time on June 20, 1979 in Juzgado Nacional de Instruccion, Secretaria 120. He was last seen in la Tablada on September 9, 1979.

I urgently request that you ask the United States Embassy in Argentina to force an accounting for Mr. Poltarak. It is imperative that the United States not continue to aid a country where the most basic legal safeguards and humane conditions are nonexistent.

Thank you for your prompt attention to Mr. Poltarak's case.

Sincerely,)

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